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SUBJECT: BRITISH VIEWS ON THE GATT MULTILATERAL
TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATE 234284 (NOTAL)

1. WE HAVE RAISED THE REFTEL'S QUESTIONS ON TARIFF-HARMONIZATION SCHEMES WITH TWO TRADE POLICY OFFICIALS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (ROBIN ALLOTT AND JEAN ELLIOTT). ALTHOUGH THEY GAVE US SOME OFF-THE CUFF REPLIES, THEY VOLUNTEERED TO DISCUSS THE QUESTIONS WITH THE DTI TARIFF EXPERTS AND ECONOMISTS WHO ARE WORKING ON THIS QUESTION, AND TO GIVE US MORE DETAILED ANSWERS AFTER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. WE ASSUME THAT THIS SORT OF DETAILED REPLY IS WHAT THE DEPARTMENT WANTS.

2. ALLOTT SAID THAT HE REGARDED THIS KIND OF BILATERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AS A USEFUL CONTRIBUTION TO THE
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PREPARATIONS FOR THE MTN. HE STRESSED THAT IT SHOULD

BE CARRIED OUT ON A QUIET, INFORMAL BASIS, IN VIEW OF
THE UK'S STATUS AS AN EC MEMBER STATE. WE ASSURED
HIM THAT WE UNDERSTOOD THE NEED FOR DISCRETION.

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